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Maine event

Finalist highlights diversity

By Rebecca Bush KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

"Now just one more question: Why do you think you're the best candidate to be the next K-State president?"

As he glanced into the bright lights of a TV camera, Robert Kennedy presented his reasons for filling retiring President Jon Wefald's role, reasons he would share moments later with about 200 people at an open forum in the K-State Student Union Monday.

Kennedy, president of the University of Maine, highlighted his experiences at seven land grant universities and shared his vision for K-State for about 45 minutes before answering questions in Forum

Since becoming the current Maine president in 2005, Kennedy stated he had focused on academic excellence by converting the existing honors program into an Honors College, recruiting more out-of-state and international students and encourag-ing entrepreneurship by creating the Foster Student Innovation Center, which Kennedy described as an "incubator" for students to start businesses based on their own re-

search. "Students are the lifeblood of universities," he said. "I've always sought to gain broader interaction with students, and I really enjoy encouraging those relationships."

Kennedy gave special attention to sustainability, highlighting his involvement in creating a green master plan at Maine, where all future buildings will be LEEDcertified, and collaborating with other colleges and renewable universities on energy research.

Kennedy also talked about diversity, stating it has been one of his "highest priorities," and sharing his experiences with sizable American Indian and Franco-American

populations in Maine. "I believe it's critically important for support for diversity to come from the top and for the president to be seen supporting these efforts," he



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Robert Kennedy, president of the University of Maine, speaks to a crowd in the K-State Student Union Forum Hall during a public session Monday afternoon. Kennedy is the third and final candidate for K-State's presidency to visit campus.

A veteran administrator, Kennedy touched on building relationships with community and business leaders in Bangor, Maine, to move the university's art museum there from the campus in Orono, as well as collaborative research efforts with Fort Hood while he was vice president for research and associate provost for graduate studies at Texas A&M University.

As both of the previous finalists shared their perspective on athletics, Kennedy shared his approach at Maine, which offers 19 Division I sports in the America East Conference.

'More than half of our student athletes have a GPA of 3.0 or better," he said, "and we're very proud of how much we stress academics in our program."

Kennedy also used part of his presentation to introduce his wife Mary, professor of biochemistry at Maine, before offering parting thoughts.

'There is an enormous opportunity, especially with NBAF, to make sure research works for the entire campus and community, not just part of the campus," he said. I firmly believe Kansas State University is the most important institution for the future of Kansas because it is a landgrant university."

After visits from three finalists - Kennedy; Steve

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K-STATE PRESIDENTIAL SELECTION PROCESS

October-November: Applications and nominations accepted for position **December-January:** 36 applications reviewed by K-State presidential search committee, 3 finalists selected and invited for interviews

Jan. 15-16, Jan. 22-23, Jan. 26-27: Finalist visits; meetings with campus and community leaders, open forums

Jan. 27: Presidential search committee meets to select 1-2 candidates for recommendation to Board of Regents

Feb. 9-10: Finalist interviews with Board of Regents End of February (tentative): Announcement of next K-State president

K-State competes in national recycling competition

By Jasmine Wilcoxson KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

K-State is competing in RecycleMania, 10-week a national recycling competition that promotes waste reduction activities in campus communities.

RecycleMania is a nationwide competition designed to familiarize students with their respective campus' environmental programs and instill a lifelong habit of recycling, reducing and reusing. According to the RecycleMania Web site, there are 510 schools

participating this year. Sabrina Martin, member of

the K-State recycling committee, said this is K-State's first year to participate. She said she decided to try to get K-State involved in the competition because she saw an opportunity for the school to increase its recycling and see how much recycling the university could generate as opposed to other schools.

"I'm hoping that in publishing our weekly weights, we can increase campus participation," Martin said.

Joe Myers, K-State Grounds Maintenance Department and recycling facilities technician, said he heard about RecycleMania after attending a national recycling coalition in Pittsburgh.

"Other people who attended the conference gave me a hard time about how no Kansas schools have been involved in [the competition]," Myers said.

After the convention, he said he realized the competition would be a perfect fit for K-State.

RecycleMania officially began Jan. 18. However, the first two weeks of the competition are considered trial weeks so universities can get used to reporting their total trash data.

Myers said K-State's trash and recycling is collected, weighed at Howie's Recycling Inc. in Manhattan, and reported to RecycleMania.

All university totals are then separated and ranked into four different categories: the largest amount of recyclables per capita, the largest amount of total recyclables, the least amount of trash per capita and the highest recycling

RecycleMania is also split up into two divisions - the Competition Division and the Benchmark Division. Through the Competition Division, Myers said K-State

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Outbreak linked to PCA

By Tim Schrag KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A recent outbreak of illness caused by the salmonella bacteria has been linked to peanut butter and peanut butter paste, a byproduct of peanut butter used to raise the protein levels in foods, produced by Peanut Corporation of America at its Blakely, Ga., processing plant, according to the Food and Drug Administration.

The outbreak, unrelated to the 2007 peanut butter salmonella outbreak, is responsible for more than six deaths, 100 hospitalizations and 500 illnesses in 43 states. Several companies voluntarily recalled food products containing peanut butter and peanut butter paste after the FDA linked the contaminated peanuts to an outbreak of salmo-

The FDA recommends consumers avoid items containing peanut butter, including cookies, crackers, ice cream, cereal and candy, but according to reports, jars of peanut butter sold in retail stores are not harmful.

Several major peanut butter distributors have been affected by the outbreak, including the Keebler- and Austin-branded food products, which are two major distributors of peanut butter crackers. More than 70 firms have potentially received the product from the PCA.

According to a recent press release, officials with Fort Riley's Veterinary Service are advising people to check products they have at home containing peanut butter paste and peanut butter. The Fort Riley Veterinary Service and Fort Riley Medical Department Activity's Preventive Medicine are responsible for inspecting all food products and are responding daily to updates regarding the recalled products to protect the community.

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RCPD reports 8 shots fired

By Jenene Heavey KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Riley County Police Department reported the unlawful discharge of a .40-caliber handgun in the parking lot of R.C. McGraw's early Saturday morning.

Lt. Kurt Moldrup said eight shots were fired, with one bullet hitting a Chevy Caprice, resulting in damages of \$500. No one was injured.

Moldrup said a large party was just ending when the shots were fired at 2:33 a.m. The vehicle damage is believed to be unintention-

No arrests have been made in relation to the incident.

In another RCPD report, a rape was reported in the south-central area of Manhattan. A 26-year-old woman reported being raped on Friday by a 26-year-old man known to the victim.



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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: D equals Y



K-State graduate thanks university for successful career

Bv Russell Buchanan KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Venturing onto K-State's campus for the first time, Dennis Smith felt unsure and

timid as an incoming architecture student. At the time, success seemed intangible

to him, and Smith never imagined the success he would find here. Attending K-State immediately following his

high school graduation, Smith felt unprepared for college compared to his peers. during said He

time in K-State's his architecture program he learned many valuable lessons, including focus, time management, and – what he said was the most important – setting a goal and accomplishing it.

K-State, he said, gave him a reason to accomplish it all.

After a year serving his country in the Army, he applied for a job at the Law/ Kingdon firm. Graduating in 1972, Smith was hired as an intern in 1973 at Law/ Kingdon architecture firm in Wichita – the biggest in the area.

During his interview with the vice president of the firm, Smith was asked what his short-, mid- and long-term goals were for his career.

His response was to advance to a leadership position, be the youngest lead architect in the company's history and obtain the vice president's job.

Now, Smith is the president and CEO of the firm and said he has K-State to

The person Smith said he thinks influenced his time at school the most was Den-

nis Law, who is the dean of the College of Architecture, Planning and Design.

"Law is a man who is very committed to his school," Smith said, "and helped strengthen his ties as an alumni after grad-

uation."

Committed to supporting his alma mater, Smith – with Law – started a scholarship through the KSU Foundation that has helped many students receive the same education Smith is thankful to have re-

Smith is not the only member of his family with connections to K-State. His wife of 35 years attended the university and even worked for K-State at one time.

They also have two children who received their degrees from K-State. Within Smith's family, there is a total of seven degrees from the university.

Smith said he has been very success-

"K-State gave me the tools," he said.

YOU SUCK BY NOLAN FABRICIUS AND JEFF BROWN

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Smith

PRESIDENT AND CEO

OF LAW/KINGDON

ARCHITECTURE FIRM



YEAH ... BY STEALING. CHEATING. AND FOR SOME REASON. GIVING FAKE TOURS OF THE TAJ MAHAL

IF I WANT TO LISTEN TO AN 8 YEAR OLD TELL ME MADE UP FACTS ABOUT THE TAJ MAHAL. I'LL GO SIT IN ON A GEOGRAPHY PRESENTATION GIVEN BY ANY KID ATTENDING PUBLIC SCHOOL IN ARKANSAS.

THANK GODTHEY HAVETHAT LOTTER TO KEEP MONEY IN THEIR SCHOOLS. NATURAL SELECTION CAN BE ROUGH

THE PLANNER

CAMPUS BULLETIN BOARD

The Agri-Industry Career Fair will be from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday at the second floor of the K-State Student Union. It is sponsored by Career & Employment Services.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Myungshim Kang at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in Hale 114. The thesis topic is "Molecular Dynamics Simulations and Theory of Intermolecular Interactions in Solutions."

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Kuei-I Lee at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in Justin 150. The thesis topic is "Using the Theory of Planned Behavior to Assess Participation in Congregate Meal Programs."

There will be a forum about the expansion of Peters Recreation Complex from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday in the K-State Student Union Courtyard. There will be preliminary concept plans prepared by student representatives for review and discussion. Input and comments from students, faculty and William Gilliland of the Stowers Institute will give the seminar "New directions in meiotic chromosome movement" at 4 p.m. Thursday in Ackert 221. The Division of Biology is sponsoring

Boy Scout Troop 75 is having its Fourth Annual Spaghetti Dinner from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall at 612 Poyntz Ave. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children 7 to 11. Children 6 and younger eat free. Tickets can be bought at the door or by calling 785-776-8821.

Career and Employment Services will sponsor on-campus interviews beginning Monday.

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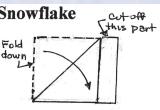
Folding the Paper for Cutting a Paper Snowflake

- 1. The paper must be square. There are two ways to make an 8 1/2" x 11" typing sheet square. One is to fold it as shown on the right. Make sure you bisect the corner. Then cut or tear off the side strip. The other way is to use a paper cutter.
- 2. Fold the square in half twice, once vertically, once horizontally as shown by the dashed lines on the illustration on the right. Firmly crease the folds.
- 3. Put the square on a table/desk with the single folded edge on the bottom and the two folded edges on the right. (Please don't ask why. Just do it.) Then turn the top of the square to the right until the bottom point is pointing toward you. (See illustration on the right.)
- 4. Now comes the hard part! You have to fold the square into three parts. Take the right corner and roll it (don't fold it!) so it's halfway on the other side. Make sure you get the fold clear into the bottom corner. (See illustration.) Crease lightly.
- 5. Take the left corner and fold that side so it matches the fold on the right side. (See illustration.) Crease *lightly*.
- 6. Open the two folds. The right side must fit snugly and evenly into the left fold/crease. (See illustration.)

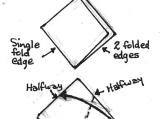
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- 7. Cut off the top as shown in the illustration.

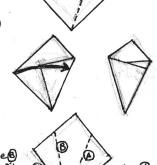
Leo with his first

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Leo's own original snowflake.



Leo's instructions on how to create the ultimate paper snowflake.

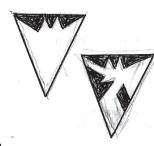
Three Basic Patterns of Snowflakes

Circle

After cutting off the top of the folded snowflake (see preceding page), you'll have nearly a circle. First, cut a few notches or points on the top.

Then cut on one fold and then the other. (See illustrations on the right.)

If you cut daintily and timidly, you'll cut a doily, not a snowflake. So cut boldly and with confidence.



Six-Point

Most real snowflakes have six points or arms. Cut away much of one side. (It doesn't really matter which side.) (See illustration on the right.) Unfold the paper and you'll have a six-pointed flake.



Twelve-point

A few real snowflakes have twelve points or arms. Make a deep cut on one side just as you did for the six-point flake. Then cut a shorter, narrower point on the other side. (See illustration on the right.)

When you unfold the paper, six of the points will be larger and longer while the other six will be shorter and smaller.



Leo's favorite patterns.

Real snowflakes can be found in each of these three patterns. So for your "indoor snowstorm," cut some in each pattern.

KANSAS STATE **COLLEGIAN**

Creating more problems

Legalizing prostitution would cause increase in illegal sex trafficking in U.S.



HOPSON

You might have heard about the legalization of prostitution and the controversy over whether moral issues should be taken into account concerning a free trade marketplace.

However, there is more to the issue than whether legalizing prostitution will help regulate the industry with safety and health guidelines. The issue is deciding who deserves protection. There are women who voluntarily enter the sex trade, but not all prostitutes choose to sell themselves for a living

Prostitution is safer for those working in a legal brothel, but such institutions encourage more sex trafficking.

"Where prostitution is legal, both trafficking and prostitution have increased because men can legally buy sex acts, and pimps and brothel keepers can legally sell and profit from them," wrote Donna Hughes in "Towards an Abolitionist Approach to Prostitution and Trafficking.

Sex trafficking is when smugglers coerce women to travel away from home to work as waitresses, maids or other entry-level jobs, then literally charge them rent for living like slaves in motel rooms, massage parlors and even fake restaurants. Sex trafficking lures women from their homes and preys on their vulnerability by making them work to pay for transportation and living expenses. If they try to escape, they could be forced to suffer beatings, isolation, starvation, forced drug use or gang

rape.
"These women and girls are not prostitutes, they are prostituted," said Kristy Childs, a trafficking survivor and director of a local organization called Veronica's Voice, which helps prostituted women reclaim their lives.

Childs ran away when she was 12 years old and turned to prostitution for survival. She worked for a pimp who told her horror stories about arrests and torture and used pills to keep Childs under his control. One night, when Childs was locked in the apartment while her pimp was out, she noticed some of her clothes were in the bathtub

"If you beat somebody with wet clothes on, it doesn't leave marks," Childs said.

Childs eventually left prostitution and used her experience to help others.

The U.S. State Department estimated that "about 80 percent of human-trafficking victims are women and girls and up to 50 percent are minors."

According to UNICEF, "There are nearly two million children in the commercial sex trade."

The U.S. government estimates 50,000 women and children are trafficked into the U.S. every year from Latin America, East Asia and Russia. In the past, the U.S. sex trade was not as organized as the Southeast Asia businesses, where thousands of European and American businessmen travel for business and pleasure. Now, the U.S. sex trade is more popular than ever. "Brothels are operating in

cities across America, including Kansas City," said Janel D'Agata Lynch, the program manager for community services at Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

"The Midwest has become a kind of pipeline for human trafficking," said Melissa Snow, an advocate for sexually exploited women and children with a nonprofit organization called Shared Hope International.

Traffickers target U.S. minors through the Internet, at school or at movie theaters. Snow said runaways in particular are very attractive to traffick-

"Runaways are particularly vulnerable, often being approached or coerced within 48 hours of hitting the streets,"

The State Department estimates that "between 100,000 and 300,000 American children under the age of 18 are at risk of being trafficked within the U.S. for commercial sexual exploita-

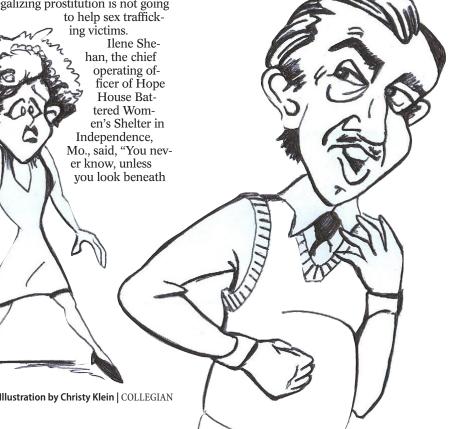
Legalizing prostitution is not going

en's Shelter in Independence, Mo., said, "You never know, unless you look beneath

the surface, if the young man or woman or the child you just saw is a forcedlabor or sex-trafficking victim. We likewise don't want to think that a trafficker could be an acquaintance or a member of our community."

Please do not ignore the fact that sex trafficking is going on in the U.S. this very moment, possibly even in your own hometown. The widespread practice of claiming women and children's lives and taking away all of their human rights has to be stopped.

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City slickers' behavior gives small-town students wrong impression



PHAM

If you were to solicit opinions on campus about the demographic factor that most divides us as a student body, you would likely get a motley assortment of answers like political persuasion, greek involvement, financial well-being and so

Having come from the Kansas City area, I'm sensitive to how narrowly defined we can be by virtue of our answer to a single binary question: Are you from the met-

The tenor of the relationship between Kansas Citians and everyone else in the state is difficult to grasp and even more difficult to classify.

Perhaps it's best illustrated by comparison: It's less openly antagonistic than the cultural conflict between Americans and the French, but it lacks the novelty, exchange and genuine curiosity that runs between Americans and the Japanese. It doesn't have any of the sinister and creepy undertones like the relationship between Americans and Russians but is without the good-humored cheekiness of the relationship between Americans and Canadians

Though there's an explicit economic class component, there aren't any dark injustices lurking in the annals of history, so the struggle is not generally a personal

The truth is, for all the rhetoric about "small-town values," and "big-town opportunities," people from inside the metro just don't understand or care to understand the people outside of it - and vice versa – and other than the fact that "Johnson County" has been established as something of a slur, nobody has bothered to have a serious dialogue about it.

The implied KC-centric dichotomy here is admittedly slightly false, but even that doesn't hurt my case: Students from Wichita, Topeka, Salina and possibly a few other places scattered around the state probably understand the nature of urban and suburban life, but they usually just ally themselves with the small-town folks anyway. Students from the metro area stand

This line in the sand isn't exactly invisible, either; every freshman knows within weeks of orientation which side of the tracks he or she lives on. Regional relations at K-State are a terrific mess, and though the disparity of wealth, education and opportunity between us does underlie some of the problems, I think the conflict is, in essence, a cultural one.

I don't know whether the situation is getting better or whether it's even soluble at all, but I think it could be, if only some of my fellow suburbanites would take to heart the following:

Your obnoxious behavior has made us unpopular. Stop.

Righteously indignant rural folks certainly own some of the blame for perpetuating the conflict (every Kansas farmer feeds how many of us?), but the very fact that no explanation needs to be added

News poetry expresses emotions, information

to the above directive to make it coherent seems proof enough that we all know where the fault lies.

In a basic sense, the burden is on the city folk to understand that people who have until now lived on farms and in small towns ultimately ask the same metaphysical and moral questions that we do, and that just like us, they're simply

trying to make their way. I make this offering not to imply that I have any genuine understanding of "life in the country" but to illustrate to my compatriots that there's a place under the sun for all of us, and if they figured this out, maybe Topeka would stop pretending to be so proud of Astronaut Ron Evans.

Adam Pham is a senior in economics and philosophy. Please send comments to opinion@

POLITICAL POETRY

Tit for tat

By Steven Miller KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

I once knew an old fellow named Hebrew, Who by this guy Adolf had been quite screwed, So a white politician With too much ammunition Said, "I'll steal you some land near Beirut."

But that isn't the end of my story, Which gets much more dreadfully sorry, Because the owner, named Gaza Was left hardly a plaza While Hebrew ate American calamari.

This isn't the worst thing to blame Because next he adjusted his aim, And did something inhuman That I'm told in conclusion Is every country's story the same.

TO THE POINT

TO THE POINT is an editorial

selected and debated by the editorial board and written after a majority opinion is formed. This is the Collegian's official opinion.

Newspaper poetry as a concept has ebbed and flowed through the centuries of newsprint, and has served many different purposes. But its purpose on this page is to give readers an alterna-

tive story form that illustrates the emotional effect current events have on the human psyche.

Objective reporters, however, cannot express their personal opinions on the topics at hand and still remain credible. On the other end of the spectrum is the editorial, through which emotions about any subject can be delivered to the reader.

Newspaper poetry embodies the role of both witness and participant, offering a new perspective for readers to look to for accurate, emotional information. It also appeals to Fourum loyalists who would rather read 20 separate one-sentence statements than 20 sentences of an article.

Local issues like the search for a new K-State president and national events like the election of President Barack Obama can be addressed in a polished poem of reflection written by a student unburdened by the Associated Press Stylebook.

We hope you enjoy the weekly poems we've added to the Opinion page. Let us know what you think of their effectiveness.

THE FOURUM

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Manhattan is the only place I know of that gets Dippin' Dots ice cream

A pack of hyenas just ran out of the

Carrot bark is the new beer pong.

Dear Fourum, thanks to the idiot who hit me and my bike today and then drove off. Good one, slick.

The Nerds gumballs in the Union are more like jawbreakers. Ouch.

Maybe our basketball team would do better if they all had matching shoes.

Hey, Lafene, I had a tumor and you gave me nose spray. Thanks a lot.

I know you can be overwhelmed, and I know you can be underwhelmed. But can you ever be whelmed?

Biggy, biggy, biggy, can't you see? Sometimes your words hypnotize me.

The cake has lied, but the bake club has cookies. I promise.

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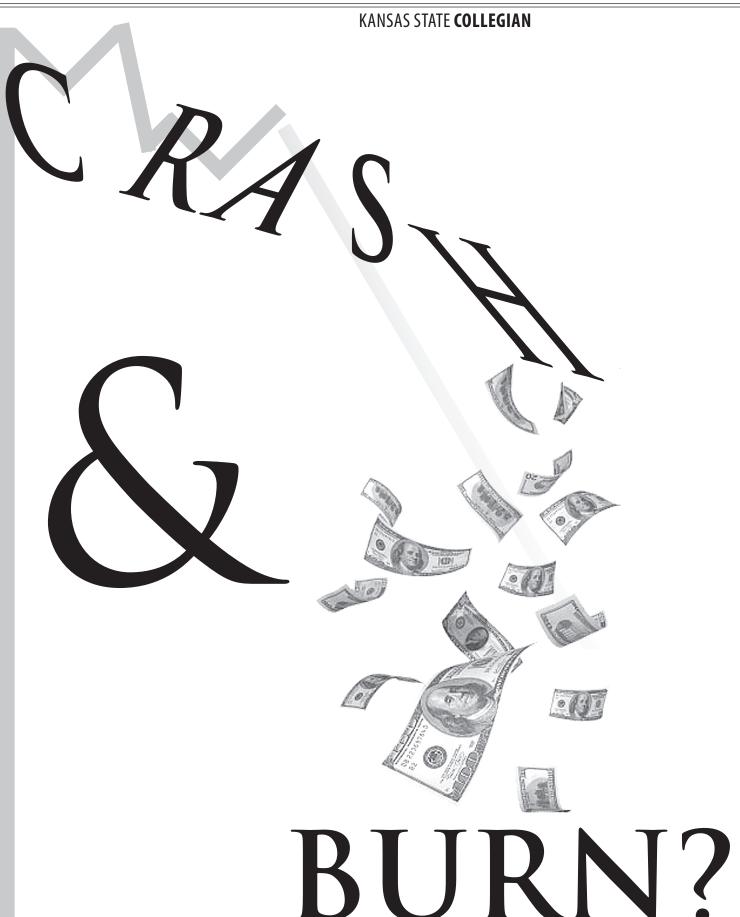
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Local boutique still successful despite economic crisis' effect on retail industry

By Allie Teagarden KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Over the past several months, retailers have noticed decreased store traffic and subsequently lower revenues.

Deborah Meyer-Brosdahl, associate professor of apparel, textiles and interior design, said that with consumers shopping less as a result of smaller disposable incomes, many retailers have been forced to alter their business strategies.

Luxury retailers have perhaps been hit the hardest.

The Wall Street Journal reported this month on Saks Fifth Avenue's attempt to increase sales through an overhaul of its Web site and the Neiman Marcus Group's layoff of 3 percent of its staff. Other companies throughout the industry have taken similar actions.

Meyer-Brosdahl said she has closely followed the events surrounding the economy and the apparel industry.

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"Before the economic crisis hit,

companies were expanding their businesses, opening new stores and hiring more employees," she said.

"Now a number of retailers are on the verge of filing for Chapter 11, so a lot of significant cuts are being made within these businesses, including personnel layoffs and store closings."

Many small, moderate-budget apparel retailers have experienced the same negative effects of the economy, but some have evaded these effects

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Local boutique Zotcis Apparel has maintained a steady level of business, possibly because of actions that were

taken early on last fall.

"We started carrying full-figure sizes in the fall, so now all girls can shop at our store," said Sara Strothman-Meyer, owner of Zotcis. "Branching out into this new area has helped us

Manhattan."

Meyer also credited her employees who help make merchandise buying decisions and create a positive store envi-

expand our loyal customer base here in

"I have a fantastic staff," she said.
"The energy they put towards their work and the ideas that they bring to the store are invaluable."

The decrease in the spending power of the average consumer is one of the most obvious effects.

Erica Boatman, senior in apparel and textiles, said she has changed her shopping habits as a result of the econ-

"I only go into a store when I absolutely need something and no longer shop for entertainment purposes," she

said.

Many consumers are noticing a variety of changes within apparel retail stores, both for the better and for the

"I've noticed that inventory isn't changing out as often as it normally does because people are shopping less," Boatman said.

"But that issue also has a flip-side because stores are discounting merchandise more rapidly and significantly in order to move it out of the store." LIFE AS AN AWKWARD GRAD

A night in a hostel



ADAM REICHENBERGER

A couple weeks ago, I traveled a bit to check out my two favorite bookstores.

I went to Denver for the Denver Book Fair and then to Lincoln, Neb., for Bluestem Books. I got a parking ticket that I'll never pay for and some Greek food that I'll never eat. I found out you can get a new birth certificate for only \$12 ... not bad. I came back with \$100 worth of books and old magazines, a couple stamps, some bottle rockets and a heavy cold.

You see, before Scott headed back home, I had him enter a secret destination into my GPS. I was to follow it someday when I didn't have to work.

That's how I ended up in Denver. Lincoln followed because I love it, but this time around I realized it's definitely a fair-weather city.

Completely forgetting that I have both friends and family in Denver, I stayed at the Hostel of the Rockies. I shared a six-person room with Colleen. I didn't know Colleen, but I won't easily forget Colleen.

I arrived at the hostel and after unpacking, I tried to get some rest. Around 12:30 a.m., the door opened. I rolled over to face a figure in the dark. She turned on the light, and said, "Hi!" A line from "The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou" came to my mind: "Who are you? You look pregnant"

You look pregnant."

Instead, I greeted her.

"I'm Colleen. I'm supposed to show you around if you need anything."

"Hey, Colleen," I said. I was very tired. The question going through my mind was why a pregnant woman was staying at a hostel.

"I think I'm just going to go to bed," I said. Obviously.

Later, I woke to the sound of what I suspected to be a baby breastfeeding. In my groggy state, this made sense to me.

I woke around 8 a.m and turned to see Colleen's feet under the blankets and decided not to get up and possibly wake her. I woke about every half hour and looked over to see her feet. By 11 a.m., I couldn't sleep, but I stayed in bed.

A short time later, the

door opened.
"Do you mind if I turn the light on? It is, like, 11:30."

up confused. It was Colleen. She was not pregnant. Whoever I thought was her this whole time indeed was not.

I got ready to leave College.

'Sure," I said and sat

I got ready to leave. Colleen, too, was packing.
"Are you on Facebook?"

she asked as I was about to leave.
"Nope."

"How will we keep in touch then?"

Don't you need to get in touch before you can keep in touch?

"Here's my address. Write me a letter."

I left her there and started back for Kansas. At the border, it hit me that even if she was pregnant, which she wasn't, the breastfeeding didn't make any sense. What was that sound? We were the only two in the room. Then it hit me.

"Did she honestly just rub one out in a bed not four feet from me?" What is it with Colorado?

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HEALTH AND FITNESS

Quick, healthy snack for students on the go



HURD

As college students, our time and resources are limited when it comes to making healthy decisions about what we eat.

It's easy to fall into the trap of eating macaroni, cheese dip and spaghetti for every meal because they are so cheap and quick to make. However, there are many ways to add healthy foods to your everyday diet that are both affordable and easy.

This recipe is one I love because it's tasty, fresh and simple.

I worked at a restaurant a few years ago, and they served something similar to this. I thought it would be easy to recreate.

All the ingredients together cost less than \$10, and it only takes a few minutes to make.

It's a great thing to have on hand for a snack, quick meal or for an appetizer at a party.

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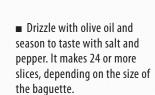
Ingredients:

1 large fresh French baguette from the grocery store bakery 4-5 medium-size Roma tomatoes 1 package of fresh basil 1 package of Cacique mozzarella cheese Olive oil Salt Pepper

Directions:

■ Cut the baguette into 1/4-inch thick slices and toast them. Slice each Roma tomato into about six slices (they should be about 1/4 inch thick) and place one slice on top of each of the toasted breads.

■ Slice cheese into small, flat chunks (they should be about the size of the tomato and 1/8 inch thick) and add on top of the tomatoes. Rinse basil and add 1/2-1 leaf to each stack.



KANSAS STATE **COLLEGIAN**

Cats need to relax, return to basics



DORNES

OK, Wildcat Nation, go ahead and take a deep breath. The Wildcats are not the Detroit Lions, and they're not going to go 0-16 in Big 12 Conference play, but K-State's first conference

victory didn't come easy. The Wildcats were barely able to escape the Coors Event Center in Boulder, Colo., with a victory. Before this victory, they were suffering one of the worst fourgame losing streaks I had ever seen. They were playing with no heart and no emotion and were being beaten in almost every aspect of every game.

But the biggest reason the Wildcats lost four in a row other than the fact that they had to play three of the top teams in the Big 12 - is the players were pressing and not allowing the game to come to them.

What I mean by that is this: the Wildcats are a team built on defense, and lately, the defense has just not been there for the Wildcats.

Over the last five games, they have let their opponents shoot 51.9 percent from the field and 47.9 percent from behind the 3-point line. Their last five opponents have even averaged 6.8 3-pointers a

When defense is the basis of a team and it stops being effective, it puts too much pressure on a very average offense. It forces players to take contested or poor shots.

The Wildcats do not have the offensive firepower or a go-to player who can go out and score 20 or 30 points on any given night. That is why seven different players have led the team in scoring.

Sophomore guard Jacob Pullen and junior guard Denis Clemente are the two best offensive weapons for

Pullen is the best offensive weapon K-State has, but he has struggled since Big 12 play began, shooting 18-56 – or 32 percent – from the field. He has only averaged 10.6 points per game. In nonconference games he averaged 14.7 points a game.

Clemente is the closest this team has to a leader. His point production has increased from 11.8 to 14.6 points per game during league play, but his turnovers per game have jumped from 1.9 to 3.2 per game. Clemente needs to take better care of the ball for the Cats to succeed.

Granted, these numbers are a little skewed because K-State played a pretty weak nonconference schedule and has just completed the hardest part of its Big 12 sched-

Sophomore guard Fred Brown is the only other Wildcat who seems able to score whenever he wants to. But Brown is a very streaky shooter and his confidence gets shattered because of mental lapses on defense. and head coach Frank Martin proceeds to let him and everyone in the arena know

But then Brown plays timidly, scared of messing up again. Playing this way is unnatural and causes him to mess up again, usually meaning we won't hear from him for the rest of the game.

The best way to remedy these problems is for the Wildcats to just relax and play their game. Getting away from this philosophy is what got the Wildcats in this whole mess to begin with.

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Hale Sloan is not a lifelong rugby player.

Despite this, Sloan, senior in biological engineering, has enjoyed success. He was president of the K-State men's Rugby Club when his team went 8-2 last season. Sloan has only been playing for part of his time at K-State. He said his high school football experiences were the most relevant experience he had.

"I just wanted to try some-thing new," Sloan said. "I was kind of disgruntled with football, and I'd seen rugby on TV and wondered what it was

He decided to pursue his curiosity. In spring 2005, he joined the club and has played

'I like the tackling and the athletic competition of all sports, so I thought, 'Hey, why The team consists of 15-20 consistent players, with its total membership reaching

about 50 players. Club sports are unique in that there's nothing that holds you there," he said. "If you don't want to come, you don't have to."

As former president of the club and someone who enjoys the sport, Sloan stressed the inclusiveness of rugby and en-couraged anyone interested to check it out.

"Anyone can play," he said. "If you're small and fast, you can play. If you're big and slow, but you're strong, you can play?

The season is split into two halves, with collegiate games in the fall and spring semesters

"We play about eight collegiate matches a year, four in the fall and four in the spring," Sloan said. "We play Big 12

According to its Web site, the club is officially known as the K-State/Fort Riley Rugby Football Club, which extends membership beyond the K-State campus. The team plays other club teams in addition to its collegiate matches. In the club matches, soldiers from Fort Riley who are registered with USA Rugby can compete on the team.

"We don't get as many Fort Riley guys lately with so many of them overseas," said Tyler Hodges, junior in mechanical engineering and current president of the club. "They come and go and just enjoy the games

whenever they can play."

If the team does well enough, it can move on to the playoffs and ultimately win a championship. Funding for the club comes from dues of about \$75 a semester and alumni regulates the league.

"When we go and stay at a hotel for a longer trip, the club usually pays for that," Hodg-es said. "We have a big alumni weekend, as well, which serves as our main fundraiser."

The team is coached by Danny Blea, who has served the club team on a volunteer basis since his graduation from K-State in 1986. He described Sloan as an asset to the team

during his time at K-State.

"Hale is a great kid and has been a great leader for this team," Blea said. "He brings a lot of experience to the group

Sloan said anyone interested in joining the team can either check out their Web site, www.k-state.edu/kstaterugby, or just show up to winter conditioning, which is at 9 a.m. Monday through Wednesday at Ahearn Fieldhouse.

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Women look to extend winning streak at home

By Britton Drown KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The No. 14 Wildcats (17-1, 4-1 Big 12 Conference) return to Bramlage Coliseum for a brief one home game stand against the struggling Nebraska Cornhuskers (10-8, 1-4 Big 12) Wednesday night. The Wildcats are returning home from a perfect 2-0 road trip that featured wins against both Texas Tech and Kansas.

The Cornhuskers come into Manhattan having lost five of their last six games, with their only victory coming against the KU in Lincoln, Neb. They also rank last in the Big 12 in scoring defense, allowing opponents 67.6 points per game.

However, despite what the statistics show, senior point guard Shalee Lehning says the matchup will be another test for the Wildcats.

"I think Nebraska is a great team, and they are going to be very physical and athletic on the perimeter," Lehning said. "They are definitely a team that is going to get up and guard us, and we're going to have to keep our composure, and

as long as we play 40 minutes and compete hard I think we will be all right."

Head coach Deb Patterson agreed and said the Cornhuskers will be a threat from the 3-point line. Nebraska is shooting .325 percent from behind the arc, good enough for sixth in the Big 12. However, Patterson stressed the speed of the Nebraska team and said this is a unique opponent for the Wildcats.

For us, it's a challenge against a team that plays different from anyone we have seen so far," Patterson said. "We haven't seen this kind of quickness on the perimeter."

Leading the Cornhuskers' perimeter attack is junior guard Yvonne Turner, who averages a team-leading 14.2 points per game and is tied with Danielle Grant of Texas A&M atop the Big

12 with 15 steals on the season. "[Turner] would compete with anybody on anyone's roster right now in terms of quickness,"

Patterson said The Wildcats' defense meanwhile has remained atop the Big 12 as Patterson's team is only giving up an average 50.6 points per contest. During the recent road trip, the Wildcats gave up 52 points to the Jayhawks on Saturday and held the Red Raiders to 48 points Wednesday

"We definitely take pride in defense," Lehning said. "We believe that defense produces offense and so for us to have that statistic is something we take pride in and something we work hard for. We just have to keep it up."

With Marlies Gipson scoring a career-high 23 points in Lawrence on Saturday, Patterson said she thinks the Wildcats' post play will be the key to their success against the speed of the Cornhuskers. Gipson is averaging 14 points per game,

along with 7.1 rebounds. "I really think that [K-State's post play] is an area where we certainly bring a lot more experience and it's an area we need to maximize when

we line up against Nebraska," Patterson said Tipoff for tonight's game is set for 7 and will be televised on Fox Sports Net Kansas City.

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Commission to discuss budget for 2010

By Brandon Steinert KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The 2010 Manhattan budget will be the main topic for tonight's city commission work

During the discussion, the commissioners will examine the forecasted revenue for 2009 to help determine the allocation of funds for

According to the agenda, the ending fund balance for the city's general fund exceeded the amount budgeted as a beginning balance for 2009. Prudent spending and record-high sales tax collections in 2008

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arrhea, fever and abdominal

cramps 12-72 hours after a

person is infected, and the ill-

ness often lasts for four to sev-

en days, according to the Center for Disease Control and

Salmonella can cause di-

were the major reasons. The general fund covers about 80 percent of the 300 city employees and is used for a majority of daily expenditures.

In addition to the general fund discussion, commissioners will discuss the Bond and Interest Fund. This money is used to retire debt from city bonds issued to various projects and benefit districts, according to the agenda.

This city commission work session will be at 7 p.m. in the City Commission Chamber at City Hall.

The meeting can also be viewed live on

PRESIDENT | Candidate to be chosen by end of February

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Ballard, chancellor of East Carolina University; and Kirk Schulz, vice president for research and economic development at Mississippi State University – members of the presidential search committee will meet today to discuss which candidates they would like to present to the Kansas Board of Regents for consideration.

"We'll assess surveys from group meetings and the open forums and then pick the one or two candidates we think are best suited," said Jonathan McLelland, junior in professional pilot and student body president of K-State Salina, who is serving on the committee. "We've narrowed it down from 36 initial applications, and I think these visits have gone extremely well."

Jerry Boettcher, Regent and committee vice-chair, said the open forums are good opportunities for everyone to evaluate the candidates.

"It gives the finalists a chance to perform as a speaker, respond to unexpected questions and provide feedback," he said. "We've had three highly participatory forums, and I think that speaks to how much people care and are involved in this decision."

Boettcher said the candidates recommended by the committee will interview with the board Feb. 9 and 10, with the board making a final decision and public announcement by the end of February.



RECYCLE | K-State, 5 others participating in Kansas products can be reported to RCHD

Prevention's Web site.

The Riley County Health Department said if consumers see recalled products on the shelves, they should report them to the health department or local grocer. For updates on the FDA's findings visit its Web site at http://www.fda.gov.

Foods to avoid:

SALMONELLA | Recalled

- -Austin Variety Pack Crackers Net wt. 1.38 oz UPC: 079783486356
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- -ZonePerfect Chocolate Peanut Butter bars Net wt. 1.76 oz. UPC: 638102201058
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- -Luna Nutz Over Chocolate Net wt. 1.69 oz UPC: 722252203106
- -POCO PAC Peanut Butter 1.12 oz (NO UPC)

The FDA has created a searchable list of products and brands associated with the expanded recall. This list is available on the FDA Web site at: http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/peanutbutterrecall/index.cfm

Continued from Page 1 is participating in the "Per Capita Classic,"

which is the basic competition of reporting total weights for paper, cardboard and beverage containers. Myers said the total population of students, faculty and staff is divided into the total number of weight to record a fair and accurate result for each university participating.

"This year to get our feet wet, we're doing the Per Capita Classic," he said. "We do recycling anyway, but I think [the competition] is kind of a time where it can be highlighted," he said.

RecycleMania began in February 2001, according to the Web site, when Ed Newman from Ohio University and Stacy Edmonds Wheeler from Miami University wanted to increase recycling in the residence and dining halls on their campuses. After the two schools competed against each other to see which school could recycle the most, the number of partici-pating schools doubled for each year that followed. By 2004, RecycleMania partnered with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's WasteWise Programs to expand the competition.

Myers said he hopes to have K-State participate next year as well, but decided to stick with the "less demanding" competitions for its first

"Our goal is just to make K-State more aware of recycling," he said. "It will give us a [starting point] so we can see where we are and be able to see where we're going for next year."

Other Kansas schools that are participating are Baker University (Benchmark Division), Johnson Coun-Community College (Benchmark Division), Labette Community College (Benchmark Division), Southwestern College (Competition Division), and the University of Kansas (Benchmark Division).



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